

LOS Fall Meeting Minutes
First Baptist Church
Cameron
Friday, October 26, 2012

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Linda introduced the evening's speaker, Jane Patterson, President of Baton Rouge Audubon Society and founder of Kids Who Bird. Jane spoke on her recent birding trip to Columbia. The title of her talk was "Columbia Specialties" and told the tale of 5 ladies birding their way through Columbia racking up over 300 species.

4. **Linda** announces **Saturday's field trip**. Meet **Linda and Ed** in the parking lot of the Cameron Motel at 7:00 AM.
5. **Judith** announces what is "open" in Cameron and draws door prizes
6. Any announcements or comments from the floor?
7. **Turn in badges if you are not coming back tomorrow night!**
8. Bid everyone a good night and good birding!

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Minutes
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The Cameron 4-H group for the chicken-sausage gumbo

Linda introduced the officers and board of directors of LOS: Linda Stewart-Knight-President, Ed Wallace-Vice-President, Judith O'Neale-Treasurer, Joelle Finley-Secretary, Nancy Menasco-Past-President and board members Pam Smart, Jackie Duncan and Christine Kooi. Also introduced were LOS News editor Kimberly Lanka and JLO editor Jennifer Coulson.

Nancy Menasco moved and Judith O'Neale seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in favor

Judith presented the treasurer's report.

Election of Officers-Linda announced the recommendations from the Nominating Committee:

President-Ed Wallace
Vice-President- Marty Floyd
Treasurer-Judith O'Neale
Secretary-Joelle Finley
Central LA Board Member-Jay Huner

The vote was unanimous. Linda congratulated the winners and thanked the nominating committee for their work.

Judith presented LOS mugs to retiring board member Jackie Duncan and outgoing past-president Nancy Menasco for their years of service to LOS. Outgoing president Linda Stewart-Knight was presented with an LOS mug and Ivory-billed Woodpecker pin.

Linda introduced the evening's speaker, Dr. Donata Henry. Donata is a Professor of Practice at Tulane University. She received her PhD for Tulane and teaches a wide range of courses in biology. She also runs a MAPS station in the Honey Island Swamp where she has been banding birds since 2005. Tonight she will talk on "Bird in the Hand: Tales of Honey Island Songbirds.

V.P. Ed Wallace called the check list-161 species

Linda announced the upcoming winter meeting in Shreveport, January 25-26 and the Spring meeting dates in Cameron, April 26-27.

Judith drew for door prizes.

Linda bid everyone farewell and asked for everyone to turn in their name badges.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectively submitted by:

Joelle Finley, secretary

October 30, 2012